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## Who Can This Be?

The following article appeared in last week's Pratt Union:

"We have a letter from a gentleman who formerly lived in Pratt but who now lives near Liberal and he says: 'We are awfully hard up this spring. I wish you folks would send us some of that food and stuff that you are sending off to the Belgians, for we sure need it bad. We are bad in debt out here.'"

"The above is another reminder that we are prone to assist the stranger at all times when he is in need and oftentimes overlook the needy at our own doors. If some of our former Pratt people out about Liberal are in the condition that this man reports, should we not get busy and render them some timely aid?"

"The man who wrote the above letter has always been a good worker and is now up against a hard proposition. He has a family to support and without funds."

This will indeed be news to most of the people of Seward county. This paper has heard of no such case anywhere around Liberal, and if there really is suffering of that kind going on it should be reported to the proper authorities or benevolences of the town, instead of asking for help through the columns of outside papers.

## Rev. Holshouser to Leave.

Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser, pastor of the Presbyterian church, mention of whose resignation was made in these columns a few weeks ago, will leave Monday for his new pastorate at Winston-Salem, North Carolina. Mrs. Holshouser and the children will leave tomorrow for Dwight, Kansas, their former home. They will spend a few days with former friends at Dwight and go from there direct to their new charge. The Knights of Pythias, of which order Dr. Holshouser is an honored member, gave him a reception Wednesday evening at the lodge hall, and presented him with a year's dues and a handsome bible as a slight token of the esteem in which he is held by the members. Dr. Holshouser will not only be missed in church and lodge circles in Liberal, but in its social and business life as well. He is an able preacher, a splendid citizen and a good fellow, and the family's friends hope their new home and charge will prove equal to their most sanguine expectations.

## Majestic Theatre Sold

A deal was made the first of the week whereby the ownership of the majestic theatre changed from J. J. Calvert to J. D. Mahoney and R. W. Francis. The new proprietors take charge at once. The majestic is a good piece of property and the new management will continue the high grade pictures and vaudevilles formerly. Messrs. Mahoney and Francis are well enough known to the people of Liberal to need no introduction, and the Democrat hopes they meet with success in their new venture.

Miss Fannie Gray spent Sunday with her parents in Moscow.

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**SATURDAY, MARCH 27TH**

We have some surprises in style and price for you.

Never before have we been so well lined out in our Millinery department as we are this spring. We have just compared our sales in this department with the corresponding time last spring and find that we are over 50 per cent ahead of last year's spring business to date. As the old saying goes, "We must be delivering the goods". This is not just talk, as we have the records to prove it. We have been very fortunate in securing the services of Miss Maude Kellet, who has had considerable experience in some of the large stores in the cities, and we have given her positive instructions to use this department for a leader, and that is just why you will find so many of our hats marked from \$4.00 to \$6.00 that would bring from \$7.00 to \$10.00 in the city. We have had some very complimentary remarks passed on our Millinery line-up for spring, and from the big increase in our sales over last spring we can tell that the people appreciate our special efforts in this department.

**Don't fail to attend our Millinery Opening Saturday, March 27th**  
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## Dedication Services

Of First Friends church of Liberal, will be held April, 4th, 1915.

Three rousing services have been planned for that day, as Governor Capper and other speakers will be present. Special music at each service.

Owing to the limited seating capacity of our church, a meeting has been arranged for all children to see and hear the Governor on Saturday afternoon preceding the dedication. By this arrangement we hope to alleviate our crowded condition and have more room for the grown ups.

We need your help. Come and enjoy yourself with us on that day.

J. I. Huff, Pastor.

C. J. Highley, one of the good farmers living near Hooker, drove to Liberal Sunday thinking it was the day set for the dedication of the Friends church. The dedication had been postponed until Easter Sunday, however, of which fact he was not aware, and he says he intends to be here on that day. While in town he was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. Gidley and family.

## Masonic Lecturer Here

Harvey O. Davis, state lecturer for the Masonic order has been in town this week giving the members of the local lodge instructions in the work. A good attendance has shown up at the school and the officers and members are taking hold of the work in good shape. Mr. Davis is from Anthony, Kansas. He is a pleasant gentleman to meet and thoroughly posted on both the esoteric and exoteric parts of the ritual, and his trip down here will undoubtedly be a great benefit to this lodge.

## Another City Ticket

Another city ticket was put out Monday evening in a convention held at the city hall. Ray Millman was slated for mayor, with the following line-up for councilmen: C. D. Gasaway, L. D. Weldensaul, C. W. Eldson, C. H. Leete and W. B. Taylor. R. W. Francis received the nomination for police judge. The meeting was presided over by Judge Grinstead, and G. M. LeMonnier acted as secretary. A. A. Farmer is reported as having made the "key note" speech of the convention, and everything worked very harmoniously. With two tickets in the field there ought to be a little enthusiasm between now and election time. This will be known as the Independent ticket.

## Married

Sunday night after the arrival of the 11:40 train, Walter J. Krohne of Liberal and Miss Emma Hays of Cabool, Missouri, were married by Rev. H. F. Bolton at the home of J. J. Calvert.

A few of the friends of the groom made it their duty to be present to see that the ceremony was properly performed. They were a jolly crowd, and after extending good wishes to the happy couple, they departed wondering who would be the next victim, each mentally conjecturing, "Is it I?"

If there is one message I would send to our people at the beginning of the new planting season, it is: Plant more alfalfa, plant more sorghum, plant more kafir—plant them right, give them proper attention afterward, and, with the silo, all the time carry improved and improving stock to condense these bulkier products into meat and milk, wool and kindred commodities, and your situation will be incomparably better than that of any other agricultural people, in any commonwealth in any land.—J. C. Mohler.

For good coal call Phone 17.

Milk and cream for sale at Athens. Mr. and Mrs. David Curtis made a business trip to Guyman Wednesday.

Mr. Wm. Snyder of Tyrone was a shopper in the city Tuesday.

Paul Cherry of Tyrone spent Saturday here with his brother, Joe Cherry.

W. J. Davis of Tyrone was here on business the first of the week.

O. W. Spradling left Monday for a week's business trip to St. Joseph, Missouri.

Herbert Stearman of Hooker was here transacting business matters Saturday.

Mrs. Elmer Huber of Tyrone was a Liberal shopper between trains Tuesday.

Mrs. N. L. Falls went to Meade Tuesday to spend a few days with Miss Ruth Falls.

Jersey milk for sale. Delivered to any part of the city. W. G. Young, Phone 3227.

Miss Desta Crackle of near Lafayette spent the week end in the city with friends.

Miss Alma Watkins and Miss Dorothy Malone of Plains were here shopping Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Voth came down from Plains Saturday to visit friends around here a few days.

Miss Dollie Rollins went to Tyrone Saturday to spend a week with relatives.

H. Hobbie was called to Dodge City Saturday by the serious illness of his father who lives there.

Aubrey Wright spent a couple of days the last of the week with friends in Hooker.

Our windows talk; it will pay you to watch them for specials. Liberal Variety Store.

A 2 horse gasoline engine at \$40.00 and freight. Factory terms.

THOS. W. GAW.

Gerald Wall went to Guyman Friday to spend a few days with his grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Franklin spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. Franklin's parents near Hayne.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Moore arrived Wednesday from Hutchinson to visit friends around here a few days.

Senator W. J. Risen of the First Oklahoma district passed through here Monday on his way to Hooker. The Oklahoma legislature has adjourned and Dr. Risen seemed glad to get home and into the practice of medicine again.

Miss Jessie O'Hansey returned Wednesday to her home in Tyrone.

Buy your milk and cream at Athens Confectionery.

Glenn Wood of Tyrone was here on business Wednesday.

Mrs. J. E. Farris of Dalhart was a guest at the H. W. Lane home Wednesday.

Mrs. A. L. Bryant went to Tyrone Wednesday to visit relatives a few days.

Mrs. Fred Speakman of Tyrone was a Liberal shopper Wednesday.

Mrs. W. Y. Cowden and Mrs. Bradley, of Tyrone, were here on business Wednesday.

Rev. D. Gidley will preach at the Methodist church both morning and evening next Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Henderson and Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Richard of Hooker were here on business Wednesday.

Miss Mildred Feather of Niagara and Miss Rita Feather of Hayne spent the week end at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Feather.

## Demonstration at the Southwestern.

Had a stranger come to town last Saturday and seen the crowd around the Southwestern Hardware company's store, he would have surmised there was a circus in that end of town. It was their farm implement and machinery demonstration day, and farmers came for many miles around, notwithstanding the inclement weather, to witness it. The affair had been well advertised for several weeks ahead, and the fact that a \$100 Studebaker wagon was to be given away helped bring the crowd out. A. L. Dobbs of Boyd, Oklahoma, was the lucky man to get the wagon, his name being the thirteenth drawn, although Mr. Dobbs was not present at the demonstration. All the large farm machinery factories had representatives present on that day to demonstrate their goods, and to judge from the crowd that surged in and out of the south door of the warehouse, the people were inquisitive to find out all about each one. The management reports a good business in the store on that day, and a large number of orders booked for the different lines of up-to-date farm implements, several paying cash advance on their orders. Such a demonstration is good to interest prospective customers in the merits of the goods handled by a firm, and good drawing card to bring people to town. Had Saturday been a bright day instead of a mixture of snow, rain and sleet, the crowd would have been considerably larger, but Second street would have to be widened somewhat to hold a much bigger one.

## Rev. Ward to Leave.

Rev. Wm. T. Ward, who has served as pastor of the Methodist church of Liberal for the past four years, will not be returned to this charge. The Dodge City conference assigned him to the Pratt charge, and appointed Rev. P. D. Hestwood for Liberal. This comes in the way of a promotion to Rev. Ward, the Pratt church having a larger membership and offering a better salary than he is now receiving, although the members here offered to increase the salary if the former pastor were returned. Pratt has a new \$40,000 church, equipped with pipe organ and all modern conveniences, but it is doubtful if Rev. Ward will find a much more enthusiastic or loyal bunch anywhere than the one he is now leaving. He and Mrs. Ward have won their way into the hearts of the people of Liberal, regardless of church affiliations, in such a way that their going will cause universal regret. His successor comes well recommended from those who know him, and we hope he can carry on the good work as ably as Rev. Ward has done for the last four years.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Patton of Guyman were here between trains Saturday. Mr. Patton has throat trouble and it was for the purpose of obtaining medical relief for the same that they were here.

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